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In re the Application of David J. Brayden

For: ORAL VACCINE COMPOSITIONS

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Sir:

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 5, 2001, please amend the above application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel pending method claims 13-20 without prejudice and add the following composition claims:

21. A vaccine formulation for oral administration comprising:

a therapeutically effective amount of a coacervate, the coacervate comprising microparticles of at least one antigen and a biocompatible, biodegradable polymer, wherein the at least one antigen is entrapped or encapsulated by the biocompatible, biodegradable polymer and at least 50% of the microparticles are less than 5μ m; and

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